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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants wish to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references:

U.S. PATENT(S) :

<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Patentee</u>	<u>Date of Issue</u>
4,495,619	Acampora	Jan. 22, 1985
5,204,876	Bruckert et al.	Apr. 20, 1993
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENT(S) :

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EPO	0 407 673	Jan. 16, 1991

PUBLICATION(S) :

Jain, Y., "Convolutional codes improve bit-error rate in digital systems," EDN Electrical Design News, Cahners Publishing Co., vol. 35, no. 17, August 20, 1990, pp. 129-134.

The references listed above were cited by the European Examiner in the search report (copy enclosed) dated March 4, 2002 of Applicants' corresponding European patent application (MPEP §2001.06(a)).

Copies of the above-listed references are enclosed, together with a completed form PTO-1449.

To date, a first Office Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application. This Information Disclosure Statement is therefore believed to be timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,



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